

**NDE Bulletin**  
**January 31, 2013**

**SAVE THE DATE – 2013 State Data Conference**

April 29-30, 2013 – Kearney Nebraska



**February 7, 2013 – February 12, 2013 - The Grants Management System (GMS) System**

**Upgrades**

The Grants Management System (GMS) will be offline for a number of days for system upgrades. The tentative dates that the GMS will be unavailable are Thursday, February 7 through Tuesday, February 12. Once the dates are confirmed, a message will be posted on the portal homepage indicating the exact dates. Please plan accordingly, as the entire system (applications and payments) will be completely unavailable. We appreciate your understanding and patience



**2012-2013 NonPublic Curriculum Report – Open January 10, 2013 - Due February 28, 2013**

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or [nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov](mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov))

***All NonPublic Systems must report***

The NonPublic Curriculum Reporting System collects data on courses teachers teach for use in determining compliance with Rule 10/14 (i.e. Instructional Units and Percent of Teachers teaching in their Endorsed Area).

The NonPublic Curriculum Report is located under the Data Collections tab in the portal.



**February 1, 2013 – Extract for preprinted labels for Nebraska State Accountability – Reading (NeSA-R), Math (NeSA-M) and Science (NeSA-S)**

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Remember student information (**Student, School Enrollment and Year-End Sped Snapshot Templates**) needs to be as current as possible **by February 1** for the data upload to DRC on February 1. This upload provides the assessment information for the NeSA reading, math, and science (RMS) tests in the spring. On March 4, 2013, the online testing system management tools will be available, and the paper/pencil materials will be delivered. The assessment window for the RMS tests is March 25 through May 3, 2013."

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### **How to contact the NDE Helpdesk**

There are three ways to contact the NDE Helpdesk with questions. All three ways get to the same place, so please only use one of these options.

1. Submit a "Helpdesk Request" from your portal account. After logging into the NDE Portal, it is available in the upper right corner of the Collection Announcement page. This will be the fastest way to get your request to the NDE Helpdesk.
2. Email: [nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov](mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)
3. Call Toll Free: 888-285-0556 Please leave your full name, organization, call back number and a brief description of your question.

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